

House District 4 Representative

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AGE: 61

PLACE OF BIRTH: Richland, WA

SPOUSE’S NAME: Mark Stophia

OCCUPATION: High School Teacher,
Retired

LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA: 60

ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:
Anchorage 1962 - 1981
Fairbanks 1981 - 1985
Sitka 1985 - 1986
Juneau 1986 – Present

EDUCATION:
West Anchorage High School 1979
Willamette University 1979-1981
UAF, BED, 1985

POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:
University Alaska Board of Regents, Student Regent
1982-84
Member of Alaska House of Representatives 2019-2022

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:
Co-Owner of Alaska Wild Salmon
National Education Association Alaska Board of Directors
Juneau Education Association Executive Board
Teacher of English in Vladivostok, Russia
Instructor at Mt. Edgecumbe High School

SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS MEMBERSHIPS:
Storyteller, former Board member, Mudrooms Juneau
Volunteer, Juneau Salvation Army

SPECIAL INTERESTS:
Cooking, swimming, fishing, hiking, travel

STATEMENT:
I have made Southeast Alaska my home since 1986. I grew up in Anchorage and graduated from the UAF. I am running for my third term, in the new House District 4 because I want to continue to advocate for our region and help solve state problems.

I will defend the Alaska Constitution and our privacy. I will fight for equal treatment of all Alaskans.

I will fight for education. Our future lies in a quality education for our children. I will work to bring down health care costs in Alaska so senior citizens can afford to stay in Alaska. I will build an economy that keeps Alaskans in sustainable jobs. I will make sure Juneau remains the capital. I will defend our natural resources.

I spent three decades in education, teaching high school for over 20 years. I have been active in my community as a volunteer, working to support families, those less fortunate, and the environment. My husband, Mark, and I have a small business selling locally caught fish. I enjoy exploring the outdoors in our beautiful Southeast rainforest.

This is a critical time for Alaskans. We face budget deficits, cuts to essential state services, and an ongoing fight about the Permanent Fund Dividend.

We can keep Alaska a great place to work and raise our families. Together we can ensure that our vision for our region will be the future we want. I will work for you as State Representative for House District 4.

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